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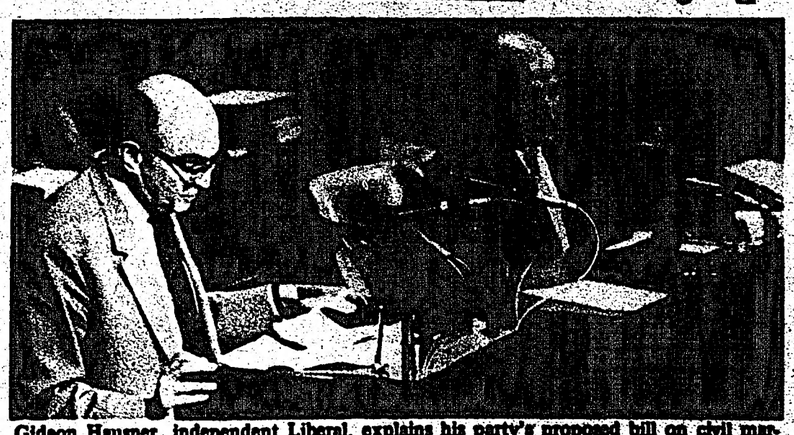
Israel crisis averted by postponement of debate on civil marriage



Gideon Hausner, independent Liberal, explains his party's proposed bill on civil marriage to the Knesset. A vote on the issue has been deferred, delaying a crisis. (IPPA)

JERUSALEM (JCNS) -

A political crisis threatening the coalition government of Mrs. Golda Meir was deferred when the Knesset postponed debate on a bill to introduce civil marriage into Israel. Gideon Hausner, prosecutor in the Eichmann trial, presented the bill on behalf of the Independent Liberal Party.

The bill would make it possible for certain categories of people at present unable to marry in Israel, including mamzarim (bastards) and others because of Halachic objections, to undergo civil marriage. At present all Jewish marriages have to be religious ceremonies.

Mrs. Golda Meir, has given a warning that, if the Independent Liberals and Mapam push forward the bill she will dissolve the coalition Government, which consists of the Israel Labor Party, Mapam, the Independent Liberal Party and the National Religious Party.

Without Mapam and the Independent Liberals, Mrs. Meir would still command a majority in the 120-seat Knesset, where the Israeli Labor Party has 47 seats; Mapam 8, the National Religious Party 12, and the Independent Liberals 4, a total of 71. To this must be added a further 4 or 5 Arabs, affiliated to the ILP, and one Independent Liberal, who votes with ILP.

If Mrs. Meir decided to drop Mapam and the Independent Liberals, her majority would fall from 76-44 to 64-56.

There are two Mapam ministers Victor Shemtov (health) and Natan Peled (immigrant absorption). The Independent Liberals have one minister, Moshe Kol (tourism). The crisis would have come to a head when Gideon Hausner, introduced it in the Knesset, had it not been for a decision by the secretariat of Mapam to ask for a postponement of the vote on it until next week. The Independent Liberals and the Parliamentary Labor Party agreed to this request and supported it in the Knesset.

In the Knesset debate the Gahal (Herut-Liberal Party alingment) abstained on the question of postponing the vote, but all the other opposition parties favored a vote being taken. However, the vote on the bill was duly postponed. Mrs. Meir stated that the bill represented a violation of the coalition agreement signed by the Independent Liberals.

A Private Member's bill similar to that of the Independent Liberals introduced by Uri Avneri, of the pro-Arab Haolam Hazeh Party was rejected by the Knesset, after the Independent Liberals and Mapam members had left the chamber.

The postponement provides a breathing spell, but the crisis still remains.

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Ilana Goren (second from left) was chosen Miss Israel for 1972 in a national competition. Elected The Girl of Israel was Hana Ordan (left), while Shoshi Mazor and Ronit Gafni were named Queen of Youth and Queen of Charm, respectively. Miss Israel is a girl soldier.

Reform seeks return to basics

By GARY LAFORET
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO -

Both Reform rabbis and laymen want a return to the basic standards of 100 years ago, says Rabbi Gunther Plaut of Holy Blossom who is currently in the forefront of a movement to revive them.

The movement began at the Central Conference of American Rabbis held recently at Grossinger, N.Y., at which Rabbi Plaut led the discussion.

Following the four day conference, he told The New York Times that the Reform movement's standards for Sabbath observance, personal living, divorce and marriage had not been completely abandoned "just ignored over the years and never practiced."

Rabbi Plaut told The CJN last Friday that in the process of attempting to adjust Jewish life to the new world, "much that was old was abandoned in favor of what was new.

"Today we see a good deal of modern society needs the corrective of Judaism and not necessarily the other way around."

He said in a time of increasing permissiveness, for example, "we need the standards and discipline which Judaism can provide."

Rabbi Plaut said that he, along with some of the 100 other rabbis at the four-day conference, had also considered the idea of re-establishing Reform religious courts.

A report claiming there was a trend towards a merger between the Conservative and Reform movements was also issued at the conference. However, Rabbi Plaut, said it was "pure coincidence" and that such a union was "not in the wings at all."

He said that, although a merger was "no one's objective," he felt a revival of the laws would lead to a closer co-operation in the next few years between the Conservative and Reform movements.

Rabbi Jordan Pearlson of Temple Sinai, also at the conference, agreed that a merger was not the purpose of the move to revive the laws and told The CJN: "The purpose, as in all Reform, is to meet the needs of the times."

He added that the move was sparked by a "concern for the quality of Jewish life at the moment."

A Conservative rabbi, Joseph Kelman of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, said he approved of the move to revive the laws and standards and compared the original abandonment of them to "throwing out the baby with the bath water."

He told The CJN that he doubted there would be an eventual merger between the Conservative movement and a stricter Reform.

"I can see a merger more of progressive Orthodoxy with right-wing Conservatism," he said.

Rabbi Plaut said that, since the conference, there has been a "very good response" to the idea of reviving the standards.

Rabbis who attended the conference now plan to set up regional meetings throughout the U.S. and Canada to develop the idea.

Russians, Arabs opposed

Fight air terrorism

MONTREAL (JTA) -

The Soviet Union and the three Arab members - Egypt, Lebanon and Tunisia - registered the only negative votes this week as the council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) adopted an American proposal urging members to implement strict security measures against air terrorism. The council has 27 members; ICAO has 124.

Dr. Theodor Meron, Israeli ambassador to Ottawa, speaking for his delegation, said that "joint and effective action by clearly defined measures must be implemented against those states which directly or indirectly bear the grave responsibility for acts of terrorism in the air."

The ICAO Council agreed to convene immediately a special subcommittee to draw up an international convention on sanctions against nations harboring air pirates. Egypt, Lebanon, Tunisia and the USSR insisted that sanctions are a UN matter.

The ICAO resolution also asked member states to report twice yearly on security measures they are taking.

Dr. Meron declared: "The international community, spearheaded by those countries with important national airlines, has the means to coerce defaulting governments into immediately desisting from aiding and abetting terror in the air. If no cooperation is forthcoming, airlines should abstain from flying to defaulting countries' airports, law-abiding states should prevail on their national airlines not to land on territory of defaulting lands, and national airlines of defaulting states should be denied landing rights."

Dr. Meron charged Arab countries with responsibility for various acts of Arab terrorism - including the Lydda Airport massacre - that they have endorsed. The representatives of Egypt and Lebanon denied responsibility.

Education breakthrough is likely in Cote St. Luc

By MARK MEDICOFF
CJN Quebec Bureau Chief

MONTREAL -

A letter from the Protestant Board of School Commissioners supporting a resolution by the City of Cote St. Luc which calls for a separation of the suburb from the board's jurisdiction will be forwarded to the Quebec Government, said the mayor of Cote St. Luc following a council meeting last week.

Government legislation forming a new school board would effectively end more than three decades of voter discrimination not only for the Jews of the area - who form 75% of the population - but for all ethnic and religious groups.

"With the information being sent to the Prime Minister of Quebec, the Protestant School Board, the Montreal Board of Commissioners, and Dr. Victor Goldbloom, (representative D'Arcy McGee of which Cote St. Luc is part), we hope steps will be taken by the government to recognize the validity of our request to form a separate school board for the City of Cote St. Luc," said Mayor Samuel Moskovitch.

In May, the Montreal board was petitioned by the municipality to form a separate school board under the city's jurisdiction.

"In the letter we received," said the mayor, "the commissioners only expressed 'support' for such a separation, since they do not have the authority to establish a ruling themselves."

The official, letter was signed by John Perrie, secretary of the Montreal Board, who also serves as director of education for the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal - the senior body with representatives from the 11 boards of greater Montreal.

The letter will pave the way for government involvement in the issue, and it includes the understanding that "if established this newly formed local board would have the same relationship with the PSBGM as do the 11 existing local boards."

A resolution passed by the City council calling for the separation measure was sent to the government in May 1971, and a second, new resolution - passed one year later and almost exact in wording - will be forwarded along with the letter.

The City of Cote St. Luc is annexed to the Montreal Board of School Commissioners whose members, by law, are appointed and restricted against Jews.

The move, says the resolution, will establish a local Protestant School Board, "thus making it possible for all residents of the area without discrimination on the basis of religion" to exercise their franchise rights and will "correct an historic injustice which prevented many thousands of Jewish residents" from voting in school board elections.

The resolution went on to say that the annexation of the city to the Montreal board clearly deprives "all residents of the Cote St. Luc area, Jews and non-Jews, from a voice in constituting it's board and discriminatory against citizens of the Jewish faith by excluding Jews from appointment to this board."

The Quebec government amended the education act last year to permit Jewish residents to exercise voting rights in the suburbs of Town of Mount Royal and the City of St. Laurent.

The amendment, however, does not apply to residents of the Cote St. Luc municipality "even though 90% of the children attending Protestant Schools are of the Jewish faith and a similar portion of the school taxes are paid to the Protestant panel."

This anachronism in law is rooted in the famous Hirsch case of 1928 where a precedent was established by the Privy Council excluding Jews from the education board in Montreal proper.

The ruling in the case cited the British North America Act regarding the educational set-up on the island of Montreal, but did not apply to any subsequent addition of suburbs since that time.

Mayor Moskovitch said the petition would not interfere with Bill 27 - an act designed by the provincial government to re-organize the province's educational system along non-religious lines - since the Bill was withdrawn from the National Assembly last December "for further study."

Israel holds no desire to dictate to Diaspora communities.. Pincus

LONDON (JCNS) -

Jerusalem has no desire or intention to dictate to the Jewish communities in the Diaspora, Arieh Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency, assured communal leaders in London.

Addressing the Board of Deputies, he said that what might sometimes seem to Jewish communities as interference with their autonomy by Israelis was merely and simply a reflection of their concern for the survival of the Jewish identity in the Diaspora and for the preservation of the wholeness and oneness of the Jewish people inside and outside Israel.

"What you might sometimes interpret as an attempt to dictate may in fact be simply an expression of our passionate desire and concern to ensure the survival of the Diaspora. It arises from the growing feeling of responsibility on the part of Israelis, and the young ones, too, especially since the Six-Day War, for preventing the spiritual and cultural erosion of the Jewish Diaspora."

Illustrating this point by way of example, Pincus, said that when Israelis were being asked to provide teachers for Jewish education in the Diaspora, they were surely also entitled to concern themselves with its content and direction. "This is not dictation or interference, it is partnership in common action," he said.

He said there was a ready acceptance by the broad mass of Jewry of Israel's decisive influence upon their own lives as Jews. The real problem was the nature of the partnership and relationship between Israel and the communities outside in the future.

He said that the continuation of that partnership called for the acknowledgement both of Israel's active concern for the Diaspora, and for its right to express an opinion and even to criticize Israeli policies and decisions, including foreign policy and security matters. He did not agree with the often repeated argument that the only place to criticize Israeli policies or decisions was in Israel and by Jews who had settled there.

While the Diaspora had the right to criticize and give advice, Israel had the obligation to listen. "But having listened, Israel is entitled to expect unreserved and undeviating support from Diaspora Jewry even if its advice has not been followed," Pincus declared.

Israeli cadets fling their hats into the air to celebrate the end of their long-term course. (IPPA)

Organizations and People

Walkathon plea: Collect that money

TORONTO –

A member of the Jewish community who signed up as a sponsor for a number of participants in the recent 1972 UJA-ISF walkathon complained last week that "the kids aren't coming around to pick up the money."

In a phone call to the UJA office, he declared that "I pledged over $50 and not one of the walkers has been here to collect."

Campaign chairman Phil Granovsky reports this is a fairly common complaint from sponsors and expresses amazement that the walkers are so negligent.

"The walk was only part of your contribution to the UJA-ISF," he said in a message to the walkers. "You haven't discharged your obligation until you collect the cash from your sponsors and turn it over to the UJA."

Granovsky said that "thousands of Jews who need help can't – and shouldn't be expected to – wait while we relax during the summer. We made a pledge to them and it should be fulfilled without delay."

Cash should be brought to the UJA office at 150 Beverley St. It should not be sent through the mail. Receipts will be sent to sponsors who contribute $2 or more.

Lansky associate sues Rabbi Porush

TEL AVIV –

American Joe Stasher, a rumored underworld associate of Meyer Lansky, has brought a new suit here for the return of money he contributed through M. K. Rabbi Menahem Porush to an Agudat Yisrael institution.

Both sides agree that Stasher gave the Agudat Yisrael leader the money – $15,000 – in May, 1965, for an Aguda children's home. But Stasher claims that Rabbi Porush failed to fulfil a condition that the instituion be named after the donor, and wants his money back – $24,000 in interest.

Rabbi Porush maintains that Stasher had specifically asked not to have the institution named after himself, when Rabbi Porush suggested this. The Rabbi added that, had he known of Stasher's past, he would not have made the suggestion.

Stasher is already suing for the return of $100,000 he invested in a building firm headed by Rabbi Porush.

Speaks for Jews

NEW YORK (JTA) –

Sen. George McGovern told leaders of the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry that he will speak out on behalf of Soviet Jews and in particular for Prof. Herman Branover of Riga, an internationally prominent Russian – Jewish physicist who has been subjected to harassment since he applied for a visa to emigrate to Israel.

U.S. sharply criticizes Israel's attack on Lebanon

After a three-day debate the UN Security Council this week condemned Israeli attacks into Lebanon and called for the quick release of Syrian and Lebanese prisoners taken in the raid. The condemnation resolution, initiated by Britain, France, Belgium, passed 13 to 0 with the U.S. and Panama abstaining.

WASHINGTON (JTA) –

The state department criticized Israel sharply last week for what it called Israel's "attack" on Lebanon.

Reading from a prepared statement, department spokesman Charles Bray said: "We deeply regret the loss of life in Israel's attack on Lebanon June 21. It is particularly tragic when innocent civilians become the victim of events growing out of the continued Arab-Israeli conflict."

Asked why they did not react to the report of attacks on Israelis from Lebanon earlier last week, state department sources said Lebanon contended the attack was not from Lebanon and that the terrorist group responsible, the Palestine Liberation Organization, was from Syria.

The sources explained, in reply to another question, that there was no comment on the presence of high-ranking Syrian military officers who were captured by the Israelis in Lebanon on grounds that one can anticipate that the Arab governments exchange observers. The sources added that it was a "mystery" what the Syrian officers were doing in Lebanon.

Israel reported that its planes and artillery struck terrorist concentrations in the "Fatahland" region of southeastern Lebanon in the wake of a recent upsurge of terrorist activity there this week. Two Israeli civilians were injured in a bazooka attack on a terrorist bus and four Israeli soldiers were wounded, two by a land mine and two by sniper fire. There were no reports of any civilian casualties in Lebanon.

An Israeli patrol captured five high-ranking Syrian Army officers and a Lebanese Army officer in a clash inside Fatahland as Israeli planes and artillery pounded terrorist bases in the area. The ground action occurred near the village of Ramiyah, where the Israeli patrol came across a convoy in which the Syrian officers were riding under a Lebanese Army escort. Two Israeli soldiers were slightly wounded. One Syrian officer was wounded and hospitalized and several Lebanese soldiers and border police were wounded.

Israeli officers admitted they were surprised to find Syrian officers traveling under Lebanese escort in the border region on what was apparently a joint Syrian-Lebanese reconnaissance mission against Israel. All the Syrian officers belong to the operations section of Syrian General Headquarters and air force intelligence. They were identified as Brig. Gen. Adham Alouani, Cols. Radwan Aloush and Nazir Jerrakh and Lt. Cols. Rafiq Surbajji and Walid Abassi. The Lebanese officer is Capt. George Nassif of the Lebanese General Staff intelligence branch.

Israeli sources said the capture of the Syrians might improve chances for an eventual prisoner exchange with Damascus. Israel has been trying to arrange an exchange of 39 Syrian soldiers held in an Israel POW camp for three Israeli pilots in Syrian hands since April and June, 1970. The Syrians so far have refused.

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by Miriam Herman

UP-GRADING PROGRAM

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TORAH STUDY COURSES

Agudath Israel Congregation on McGillivray Ave. in Toronto has scheduled torah study programs for the summer months. The Daf Yomi class conducted by Rabbi Eisenblatt will be held every evening at 8 p.m. The young adult group of Zeirei Agudath Israel will hold their Halacha classes with Mr. Hendler every Tuesday at 8 p.m. to be followed by sports activities. A mishnayos class is also held every evening at 9 p.m.

EZRA AND KADIMA

According to Rabbi Joseph Kelman of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, this year's Ezra and Kadima concert was the largest and the best ever! The attendance was over 1,800. A first for this sixth annual concert was the participation of the school's own children. Of significance, in addition to the funds raised, was the community exposure to the services of the program - religious education for Jewish mentally retarded children and those with learning disabilities. The concert took place at Adath Israel Synagogue to show the community - wide importance of the program. By the way, Ezra means "Help" in Hebrew, and Kadima means "Forward."

STUDENTS FOR SOVIET JEWRY

For students interested in helping Jews in the Soviet Union - The Toronto Student Council for Soviet Jewry is holding a meeting on Wednesday, July 5, at 7:30 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, to discuss plans for summer activities.

STAMP COLLECTORS

At the annual meeting of the Canadian Association for Israel Philatelists two weeks ago, Sarah Chernick was the first woman to receive one of the traditional philatelic awards. The award, presented annually since 1951, was mainly for her lecture, with slides, on the geography of Israel as seen through Israeli stamps (geography teachers take note!) The other trophy winner was Dennis Burstein. The 90 member organization was founded in 1950 and is a member of the Society for Israel Philatelists and of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada.

SUMMER HEBREW SCHOOL

Students, aged 11-16, may upgrade their Hebrew language level by attending the summer school for Hebrew studies sponsored by the Board of Jewish Education. The course runs for six weeks from Monday, July 10, to Friday, Aug. 18, at 9 a.m. to 12 noon daily.

SEPHARDIC CELEBRATION

Petah Tikva Anshe Castilla Sisterhood sets aside a special day every year in honor of Sol Hasadica. She was a young woman of Tangiers, who in 1840 chose martyrdom rather than convert to Islam setting an example for Sephardic women to remain loyal to their faith. This year the event was commemorated on Monday evening with special prayers and the women of the congregation lighting candles and singing 100 year old songs in Spanish.

CAMP AGUDAH

Camp Agudah (boys section) begins on Sunday, July 2. Rabbi Hillel Sittner of Ner Israel Rabbinical College in Baltimore is to be head counsellor. Rabbi Avrohom Tiurin of the Yeshiva in Scranton, Pa., will serve as spiritual director and Rabbi Moshe Hochman of Toronto's Ner Israel Yeshiva College will head the Torah study program for teenagers. The girls' season begins on Monday, July 31.

ARAB-JEWISH ART

Acting on the theory that art and creativity can be a bridge between peoples, an Arab-Jewish art exhibit was held in Jerusalem (Old City) earlier this month. The exhibit, the first of its kind, was under the auspices of the Hebrew University's Adult Education Centre. It was comprised of 70 works of paintings and Arabic embroidery by members of the Arab-Jewish Art Centre which opened in December 1971 in conjunction with the university's intercultural project.

. . . about people

Shaarei Shomayim president **Mark Gross** tells us that **Rabbi Henry Hoschander** of Rochester has been appointed spiritual leader of the congregation. Rabbi Hoschander, who assumes his duties in early August, was ordained at Yeshiva University in 1950 and has been rabbi of Rochester's Beth Sholom Congregation since 1956. He was director of the Hillel Foundation at the University of Rochester until 1965 and still lectures at Nazareth College. Rabbi Hoschander is married and has four sons and a daughter.

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Albert B. Sabin

The Jewish Chronicle News Service reports that rumors that Albert B. Sabin, president of the Weizmann Institute of Science, infends to resign have neither been refuted nor denied. A Weizmann Institute spokesman said he did not know anything about the reports. They allege that Professor Sabin, discoverer of the oral polio vaccine named after him, will resign in November, when the institute governors meet, on the grounds of poor health and the resistance of a number of scientists to his administrative policies. Professor Sabin recently married Heloisa Dunshee de Abranches of Brazil. Mrs. Dunshee de Abraches is not Jewish.

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Rabbi Allan Langner is the first Jew to be elected as school commissioner of the Town of Mount Royal. This follows the change in legislation last year which now permits Jews to vote for and be elected to local school boards in the Town, St. Laurent, and Laval. In Laval **Dorothy Stober, Tzitie Freedman** and **Edith Garfinkle** were elected the first Jewish women commissioners in that community.

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An ardent champion of citizen involvement is to be the new director of the Community Affairs Program of the Toronto Arts Foundation at St. Lawrence Centre. Chairman of the board **Arthur Gelber** has announced that **Ethel Teitelbaum** takes over as director this week. Political assistant to **Donald S. MacDonald**, federal energy minister, Mrs. Teitelbaum has been involved in community affairs for many years - she was the first woman president of the Rosedale Liberal Association. As the wife of Canadian artist Mashel Teitelbaum (and the mother of three teenagers), she has spent considerable time in Europe and has lived in England and Spain.

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Richard Conway is the recipient of both a Woodrow Wilson and a Ford Foundation Fellowship which he will use for research and travel. Presently working toward a PhD at Ohio State University, he is writing his thesis on social conditions in Puerto Rico.

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Jules Heller has resigned as dean of York University's faculty of fine arts. After five years in that administrative post (he was the first dean) he says that he wishes to devote more time to teaching and will remain on staff. The resignation takes effect next spring.

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Two Toronto couples, **Jacob and Dorothy Hendeles** and **Walter and Helen Zwig** will be dedicating the main auditorium of the Hebrew University's Institute of Jewish Studies on Mount Scopus.

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Law professor Stephen Borins has been named associate dean of Osgoode Hall Law School of York University.

Rothschild re-elected Central Fund chairman

TORONTO -

Kurt Rothschild was re-elected chairman of the Central Fund for Traditional Institutions at the annual meeting held last week, at Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue. Elected as vice-chairman were: Meyer Feldman, Dr. Julius Kuhl, Louis Lockshin and Lewis J. E. Moses.

Central Fund, which operates under the auspices of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto, helps support 200 religious institutions, yeshivot, schools, hospitals, orphanages and trade schools in Israel.

Guest speaker at the meeting, Rabbi Abraham Kahaneman, president of the Ponevez Yeshiva in Israel, said the cost of maintaining one boy in a yeshiva is $1,000 per year. Total annual budget of the yeshivot in Israel runs about $20 million, he said.

The strength of the Jews lies in the Torah, the rabbi said, as he urged greater financial support for Israel's educational institutions.

Kurt Rothschild

"What we wanted for 2,000 years is now being built in Israel," he declared. "We must not falter in the task of rebuilding our homeland."

Rothschild, in delivering his annual report, noted that the Central Fund has distributed $750,000 in the past 12 years. He said the fund saves the cost of the various institutions sending emissaries to Toronto to raise money. Central Fund gets advice from the religious department of the Joint Distribution Committee on the distribution of funds.

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MONTREAL -

Following a storm of protest from parents in the largely Jewish suburb of Cote St. Luc, the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal has reversed its decision to close Merton Elementary School, and despite dwindling enrolment, will keep it open for at least a year.

Parents of children, who would have to be bused to other schools if Merton were closed, submitted briefs and studies to the board describing projecting increases in enrolment after the board had earlier decided to close the school.

Mrs. H. M. Montgomery, chairman of the board, said continuing the school's operation will be an "experiment, since enrolment is not viable to keep the school open."

The board's decision must be first ratified by the senior Protestant school board, but little opposition is expected.

If registration falls below 225 pupils in September, the board may annex Merton to another school in the area. The school would function as normal - although Merton may lose its principal.

Lyon Cohen, spokesman for the parents association said, however, that his group discovered - after door to door canvassing - that there would be well over 225 students attending the school this September.

"Over 278 youngsters will be registering," he said, "and this doesn't include the area under construction in Eastern Cote St. Luc."

According to Mrs. Montgomery, empty classroom space will be leased "to an appropriate educational institution."

Several offers have been received so far, and when one is chosen, the party will have the option to buy the school if the board decides to sell the structure in June, 1973.

The board has asked that a report be tabled by next March in order to study the projected school population for the following year.

Promise not kept

By CANDICE LICHTMAN

TORONTO -

During a recent visit to Canada a delegation from the Soviet Parliament denied all charges that Esther Markish, wife of a martyred Yiddith poet, and her son, David, were refused exit visas to emigrate to Israel.

The chairman of the delegation told a committee of three representatives from the national office of the Canadian Jewish Congress that their questions about Mrs. Markish would be answered by a member of the Parliament who is himself a Jew.

Aleksandr Chakovsky assured the group that he knew Esther Markish personally and that he could not believe that she wanted to leave the USSR. He also said that on his return to Moscow he would contact her to ascertain her wishes.

During a phone call from Toronto, June 20, over 100 people heard Mrs. Markish tell J. B. Salsberg that Chakovsky did not communicate with her and that she and her son are as determined as ever to leave Russia and go to Israel.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the execution of Mrs. Markish's husband, the leading Yiddish poet, Peretz Markish. Mrs. Markish, now in her sixties, is known as a top translator of literary works in French and Russian. She has done translations for Chakovsky who is also editor of the Moscow literary periodical, Literaturnia-Gazetta. Her son, David, lost his job as a film scenario writer after applying for an exit visa. He now works as a sweeper in a Moscow bakery during the night shift.

Brown re-elected UIA's president

TORONTO -

Gordon Brown of Montreal has been re-elected national president of the United Israel Appeal of Canada. He has held the position since 1970.

Brown disclosed at the UIA annual meeting that it has just borrowed $8 million from Canadian banks to meet critical social welfare needs in Israel.

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It's candidate's record that counts when Jewish voter goes to polls

The "Jewish vote" in the United States has been a constant topic for American political writers. Recently a Rowland Evans - Robert Novak column printed in **The Toronto Star**, sought to describe the "growing political ties between the American-Jewish community and President Nixon." Leaping from the invitation to Vice-President Spiro Agnew as speaker at the annual Mizrachi dinner to predictions of "a massive pro-Nixon swing among Jewish voters" the columnists concluded that "It is inconceivable that this shift would occur without the blessing of the Israeli government."

Evans and Novak are not only wrong, but their insinuations are dangerous.

There is not, and never has been a "Jewish vote." There is no person, and no organization who can tell Jews how to vote. Jews like all other voters, tend to vote their own interests - as they conceive them - on a whole variety of issues. Israel and its fate is important, but never the only issue determining how a Jew will behave in the polling booth.

To suggest that the government of Israel or Ambassador Rabin have sought to influence the American voter - claims hotly denied by both - is to add to the myth of a "Zionist pressure group."

American Zionist leadership has certainly sought to influence U.S. government policy regarding the Middle East. However, the arguments have always been based on claims of humanity and justice, coupled with American self-interest. Never have they promised to deliver the Jewish vote or even pretended that they could.

Zionist leaders in the United States belong to both the Democratic and the Republican parties. Sam Rothberg of Peoria, Ill. and Louis Boyar of Los Angeles are well known Democrats. On the other hand Max Fisher of Detroit, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds president, has been a lifelong Republican who has consistently supported his party's candidates irregardless of their record on Israel.

indicate that the majority of Jews in those states are McGovern supporters. This means that Jews in the U.S. continue to maintain a "middle of the road liberal position." In spite of rumors of a backlash because of the racial issue, or a swing to Nixon because of the promise of Phantoms, the Jewish voter tends to be eager to end the Viet Nam War, to give his support to racial equality and to vote for the candidate who promises to ease the burden of all the people most of the time.

They voted for Lindsay as mayor of New York, for Humphrey when he ran against Nixon and for McGovern when he ran against Humphrey. It is the candidate's record for justice that motivates them. They tend to take their chances on the rest.

Finishing Spadina like committing suicide because you purchased gun

To insist that the Spadina Expressway must be completed because of the millions of dollars already invested is like insisting on going ahead with suicide because one has already paid for the gun.

There are a number of things wrong with the Spadina Expressway, so wrong that they threaten the life of the city.

This is not said lightly. In recent years we have become aware that Canadian cities, like Toronto and Montreal, were good places to live. American visitors were impressed with the number of people who crowded our streets, the presence of young and old in the downtown sections at night, the interesting ethnic neighborhoods close to the city's hub, our excellent public transportation system and the absence of suburban sprawl.

When they compared the bleak nature of their lives in Detroit, Buffalo, Trenton, Los Angeles, or any one of 50 other major U.S. cities, Toronto and Montreal seemed "real, alive, liveable."

It seldom occurred to us, in our thirst to catch up with the Americans that it was our "backwardness," the fact that we were 25 years behind them in our expressway building program, that accounted for the superior quality of life in our cities.

While all expressways produce some urban blight, not all such roads are equally destructive. The Spadina Expressway however, could be one of the worst.

Why? There are a number of interlinked reasons:

1 - The Spadina Expressway is in the wrong place. A north-south highway should have been a continuation of Highway 400. It should have been located in the Jane and Keele area, a considerable distance from that organically sensitive area, the central city. The present site is an obvious accommodation to Yorkdale and its needs.

2 - Any expressway built must automatically be linked with the Gardiner Expressway. It is the height of madness to invite large volumes of traffic and then empty it on a city street such as Spadina Avenue. The traffic jams that would result would be monumental. Even madder, are the interim suggestions to end the expressway at Eglinton or St. Clair, or any other street in between. The Spadina route as conceived can never be a successful part of a "finely balanced transportation plan for Metro."

3 - The Spadina Expressway was made palatable and sold to large numbers of apprehensive Toronto citizens on the promise that it would combine public transportation (subway, buses, streetcars) and highway transportation (cars and trucks). However, these two cannot be successfully combined.

Public transportation, in order to be successful, must pass through the most densely populated areas available, otherwise there just aren't enough paying passengers for economic viability. On the other hand, expressways are best built through the most sparsely occupied areas in order to keep down the cost of land acquisition.

The public transportation part of the Spadina would be the biggest white elephant in history. It presently passes through a thinly populated semi-suburban area. Stations will be remote and inconvenient for a large part of its length. Even with highrises lining its banks, population density will not equal either Yonge St. or Bloor.

The logical place for a new north-south subway line is along heavily residential Bathurst Street or perhaps Dufferin. The present site is a poor compromise and serves neither.

A city, we have learned, is a strangely sensitive organism. Almost anything we do seems to bring unanticipated social consequences making prediction extremely difficult. But we should have learned enough from our American neighbors to avoid the most obvious mistakes. Only the truly suicidal will insist that we have nothing to fear and nothing to learn.

New addition to UN's sorry record

The sorry record of the United Nations in its dealings with the Middle East was enlarged this week when the Security Council adopted another of its propaganda-loaded resolutions condemning Israel for "repeated attacks" on Lebanon.

The world body and its executive arm long ago lost all credibility in the eyes of fair-minded people, packed as it is with avowed enemies of Israel. The United States and Panama abstained from voting on the resolution which was proposed by France, Britain and Belgium.

In an effort to avoid the charge of discrimination, the council resolution deplored all acts of violence in the area, but the only nation named in the resolution was Israel. The fact that Lebanese territory is being used as a stepping off area for terrorist attacks on Israel and that the Lod Airport massacre was plotted by Fatah on Lebanese soil, brought no denunciation from the council.

Passage of the resolution was an empty victory for those forces bent on the downfall of Israel. Giving a vote of confidence to international immorality, to the terrorists responsible for the nightmare at Lod, is a dismal commentary on the sad condition of the world body.

A ludicrous passage in the resolution called on Israel to release five Syrian military officers taken prisoner by an Israeli force in a punitive raid on Lebanon. What were Syrian officers doing with Lebanese guerrillas? Were they giving a helping hand to planned acts of terror against Israel?

But the council does not need to agitate over the fate of the five Syrian officers. Israel's past record in respect of prisoners is that they are used for bargaining purposes. At the present time there are two or three Israeli pilots held in a Syria prison and Israel is ready to make an exchange.

Instead of pursuing exercises in futility such as the inane resolution, the Security Council would better serve the cause of international justice by initiating a move to investigate the pitiful condition of Syrian Jewry.

Giora Neumann, 18, talks with his mother and father during a break in his trial in a Jaffa military court. He was arrested late last year for refusing induction in the armed forces. His case is receiving great attention in Israel. It is a leading story in the press. (IPPA)

How should Israel deal with young pacifists?

By NECHEMIA MEYERS
CJN Israel Correspondent

The Israel Defence Forces, up to and including some of its most senior officers, has bent over backwards to accommodate Giora Neumann, an 18-year-old conscientious objector now on trial before a military tribunal for refusing to serve in the IDF.

The army has already agreed that he work in a hospital or a kibbutz rather than join a combat unit, and that he do his three-year tour of duty within the borders of "old Israel" rather than in the administered areas; but the army will not allow him to forego the traditional oath of allegiance, an oath which he stubbornly refuses to take because his ultra-left political convictions - apparently including the belief that Israel's very establishment was a mistake - do not permit him to do so.

There are sections of the Israeli population which enjoy de facto or de jure exemption from service in the Defence Forces, including religious girls, Yeshiva (Talmudical Academy) students and Arabs (some of whom join up as volunteers). But until now no provision has been made for pacificists or youngsters, like Giora, who object to serving in the IDF on political grounds.

The public is sharply divided as to how Neumann should be treated. Knesset Member Shmuel Tamir, for example, accuses the army of being unduly considerate of the young man's feelings, and demands that Neumann be punished immediately and severely for refusing to obey the law. An Israel surrounded by bloodthirsty enemies, Tamir says, cannot allow some citizens to enjoy unfettered physical security in Tel Aviv while requiring that others risk their lives along the Suez Canal or in the Jordan Valley. This would be an insult to the tens of thousands in uniform and to the memory of the thousands - like Tamir's own son - who were killed in action.

An even more extreme view was expressed by a family friend, who says that Giora Neumann should be expelled from the country. Her vehemence may be explained by the fact that - while she fought and was taken prisoner in the 1948 War of Independence - her son, after initially refusing to join the IDF at all, finally opted for non-combatant service in a border kibbutz.

Yet many people, including ex-General Matityahu Peled, feel the interests of Israeli democracy demand that special provisions be made for conscientious objectors like Neumann. They are not concerned lest he serve as an example to others, since, they point out, the overwhelming majority of young men and women join up willingly, convinced that it is their personal responsibility to insure the country's survival.

Giora Neumann is certainly less representative of 1972 Israeli youth than Eli Meisels, a Haifa University student exempted from military service on physical grounds. Meisels has gone to the courts in an attempt to force the IDF to induct him. Even with his handicaps, Meisels says, he can serve in some auxiliary capacity.

Eli and Giora are both awaiting the decision of the judges.

ask the rabbi

Ashkenazi, Sephardic differences

1. What is the origin of the differing Sephardic and Ashkenazi rituals? Which came first?

RESPONSE:

*Historically neither of them "came first" but they both developed simultaneously. The question of origins here is extremely complicated. There were in all probability a number of factors at work but perhaps the most important goes back to the differences between the communities of Palestine and Babylon in Talmudic times. It is generally held that many of the Sephardic rites are those of the Babylonian community while many of the Ashkenazi rites are those of the Palestinian community. The standard work on the subject, in which the whole topic is discussed in detail and with great erudition, is Dr. H. J. Zimmels' **Ashkenazim and Sephardim**, London, 1958 (now reprinted).*

2. What is the source and origin of the Magen David? Has it any specifically Jewish significance?

RESPONSE:

Much has been written on this question and it has been considered in this column more than once. We now have an extremely detailed investigation by Professor G. Scholem in his "The Messianic Idea in Judaism" (London, 1971, pp. 257 - 281) Scholem, after a most thorough exca

Scholem, after a most thorough examination of all the evidence, comes to the startling conclusion that the Magen David was not used as a Jewish symbol before the first part of the nineteenth century when it was adopted because Jews, who saw the symbol of the cross on Christian churches, wished to have a symbol of their own. The reader of Scholem's essay will find it convincing.

However, Scholem rightly points out that two factors have contributed towards the complete acceptance of the symbol as a Jewish one. The first is its use by the Zionists and so its later association with the State of Israel. The second is its use by the Nazis as a "Jew badge," which the Jews wore with pride. As Scholem concludes: "The sign which in our own days has been sanctified by suffering and dread has become worthy of illuminating the path to life and reconstruction. Before ascending, the path led down into the abyss; there the symbol received its ultimate humiliation and there it won its greatness."

Mostly old folk

Rumanian Jewry survives

The following article is reprinted from the May, 1972 issue of the **ADL BULLETIN** *national publication of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.*

By ARNOLD FORSTER

There are less than 100,000 Jews in Rumania, in a total population of more than 20 million. There were more than 800,000 Jews in the 1930's, before Hitler reduced the Jewish population by half. After the Soviet Union "liberated" the country from the murderous hand of the Axis powers, 300,000 Nazi-scarred Jews fled to Israel. Of the Jews in Rumania today, about 50,000 still live in Bucharest.

Abraham Foxman, director of the Anti-Defamation League's Middle Eastern Affairs Department, and I met with the officially-recognized leaders of the Bucharest Jewish community for three days last month. Their chief rabbi, David Moses Rosen, is president of the Rumanian Federation of Jewish Communities - and is also a member of the Rumanian parliament. Although Rabbi Rosen is in his late 50's, most of the Jewish community's leaders are in their 60's and 70's. While this age factor is not unusual for Jewish leadership in other countries, in Rumania it is a necessity since there are not many young Jews.

The Jewish population's communal facilities are old and makeshift, except for the kosher restaurant maintained in their community centre. Here, Rumanian Jews are able to eat kosher food, paying only what they can afford, in some cases, nothing. The restaurant is subsidized by the Joint Distribution Committee, which also helps maintain home nursing, medical and dental care for members of the Jewish community, a tri-language (hebrew-Yiddish-Rumanian), bi-monthly newspaper and about a dozen operating shuls in the city. Only the Yiddish theatre is subsidized by the state.

Bucharest's Jews seem, on the surface, no better or worse off than the other two million residents in its greater metropolitan area. But in at least one respect, they are a favored minority. Generally, formal religious education is frowned upon by the state; not outlawed, simply discouraged. Yet, the Jewish community is allowed to maintain a Talmud Torah, of sorts, authorized to teach Hebrew. There are five or six classes, with seven or eight students in each. The students range from elementary school children to college youth.

We found during our visit to Rumania that those Jews who have been assimilated into the fabric of Rumanian communism and have lost their Jewish identity, do not look longingly toward Israel. Most older Jews in Rumania have come to terms with their national destiny and are not interested in tearing up their roots to resettle elsewhere.

But the young, who are studying Hebrew and singing Israeli songs, have been reawakened to their Jewishness, their culture and history. They seem increasingly desirous of going to Israel, a trip of about three hours by plane.

However, while there was a time when Rumanian Jews could leave the country almost at will, the number of those permitted to leave in recent years is a carefully guarded state secret. The guess, among Jews themselves, is that several hundred a year, at most, are getting out. It seems apparent that the Rumanian government is selecting which Jews may leave by some sort of lottery. We could detect no recognizable criteria for emigration; the Jews could give us none.

Kozo Okamoto, the Japanese Red Army terrorist charged in the massacre at Lod Airport, made a preliminary appearance before a military court. (Newsphot)

Opinion

Rabbi Porush says he was misquoted in Plaut article

This letter to **The Canadian Jewish News** *from Rabbi Menachem Porush, vice-mayor of Jerusalem and a member of the Knesset, takes issue with Rabbi Gunther Plaut over statements the Toronto rabbi attributed to him in a recent interview. The interview originally appeared in the Holy Blossom Temple Bulletin and was reproduced by* **The CJN.**

Dear Editor:

To say that I was shocked by the so-called "interview" with me by Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, in your issue of May 26, would be a gross understatement. Never have I seen such a flagrant exhibition of journalistic carelessness as this conglomeration of misquotations and quotations out of context.

The background for my talks with Rabbi Plaut is my very pronounced attitude in the Knesset - Israel's Parliament - against the law which allows for recognizing Reform conversions, which is not according to Halacha, as credentials for Jewish identity. Many Reform leaders have met with me to hear an explanation of my firm stand on this issue. When Rabbi Plaut visited me in Israel, I provided him with an elaboration on my views and when I visited him in Toronto we continued this discussion regarding Orthodoxy's vigorous opposition to Reform conversions which is not according to Halacha.

Rabbi Plaut did not record our conversation while it ensued and his subsequent report of it is a shocking example of wishful thinking rather than transcription. He quotes me as saying "let your young people come here and let them practise what they want. If there are enough of them changes are bound to come." In truth, my remark to him was that if young people from his movement will come to Israel they will cease being Reform Jews because the Reform movement has no viability in Israel.

This discussion of Reform's place in Israel had absolutely no connection with the Shulchan Arukh of the sainted Rabbi Joseph Caro, of blessed memory, and any remark which Rabbi Plaut attributes to me on this score is a figment of his imagination. "Surprisingly, he agreed" is how your writer describes my reaction to his lame attempt to analyze Orthodox and Reform Judaism. I am even more surprised to see how he has misconstrued for your readers what I said to him. When he reports me as hedging about change with a statement "that traditions are slow to change and memories are too strong," he hesitates to inform the reader that I was contrasting the firm roots of Torah Judaism which cause Jews like myself to be copies, albeit weaker, of our observant forbears, with the other ideology which has taken Jews far, far away from their source.

Rabbi Menachem Porush

Rabbi Gunther Plaut

As regards the general impression which this so-called "interview" attempts to convey, I am certain that Rabbi Plaut and other Reform leaders will be the last to be deluded that I have softened my stand. They have spoken with me enough to know that I have consistently fought, and am prepared to continue fighting against the recognition of Reform conversions - which is not according to Halacha, because of my firm conviction that this presents a grave threat to the future of our people as a united one. If some people will be recognized as Jews only by virtue of Reform conversions - which according to the Halacha means that they are not Jews - this will split our nation, God forbid, in two.

I have never hidden my feelings, neither for Rabbi Plaut nor for anyone else, and have repeated several times, that, to my great regret, the majority of Israel is secular, yet Reform has no roots here. When he told me that this was his first conversation with an Orthodox leader on this issue I assured Rabbi Plaut that I was not alone in my views and that he would hear the same from the entire religious leadership in Israel. I take this opportunity to reaffirm that Rabbi Plaut or any other Reform leader visiting Israel will hear from every religious leader here the same viewpoint that I have expressed.

In addition to his errors of commission, Rabbi Plaut has made a serious omission as well. He makes no mention of the fact that our entire discussion focused on my opposition to Reform conversions, which is not according to Halacha. Why did he not quote my appeal to him to consider the pragmatic aspect of insisting that conversions to Judaism be recognized only if performed according to the Halacha - after all, Halachic conversions will be recognized by all while Reform conversions, which is not according to Halacha, can only lead to a tragic split.

I regret that this "interview" brought such sharp reactions from some of your readers. I can appreciate Joseph Weiss' attitude on this matter, but I wish to reassure him that nothing has changed in my policy, or the policy of Jewish Orthodoxy, in regard to our eternal values.

In closing, allow me to suggest that if Rabbi Plaut values dialogues with Orthodox leaders he owes it to himself to be more careful in recording them for his readers.

Menachem Porush
Member of
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Jerusalem

Rabbi Plaut replies...

Dear Editor:

I regret that Rabbi Porush feels moved to say that I misquoted him. I thought I had reported the sense of our conversation fairly and honestly.

Perhaps Rabbi Porush has had second thoughts about what he said which, though I am sorry to hear it, is understandable. But I do not believe that my memory is at fault.

In any case, I was, and remain, interested in carrying forward our discussions on a basis of understanding and mutual trust - no more, but also no less.

Yaacov Shimshon Shapiro explains to the Knesset why he resigned his position as justice minister in the Israeli cabinet. He complained of over-criticism from the press.

Why Shapiro resigned post

By AMOS BEN VERED
JTA Middle East Bureau Chief

JERUSALEM (JTA) -

The resignation of Justice Minister Yaacov Shapiro is only the second case in Israel in which a cabinet member resigned as a consequence of mistakes he made in carrying out his duties.

Under Israel's proportional representation system, lists of candidates are submitted for election rather than individuals. The party secretariats or inner circles of the coalition parties then decide who will make up the cabinet. The Premier has little choice and the candidate himself is often not asked. Usually the secretariats try to send candidates representing the forces within their party.

The ministers selected thus feel they have been sent by a certain section of opinion and take care of its interests. To resign, they seem to feel, would be disloyal to the special groups they represent. Thus, for example, Agriculture Minister Haim Gvati is taken to represent the kibbutz movement. Police Minister Shlomo Hillel represents the Oriental community. All ministers of justice so far have been lawyers.

In other parties besides Labor there are also such balances and the three NRP ministers, for example, are emissaries of the major power blocs within it.

ONE INSTANCE

There is only one instance in the history of Israel's governments in which a minister resigned as a result of a mistake he had made in carrying out his duties. This was Pinhas Lavon who, when defence minister in 1954 was responsible for what was later described as "a grave mishap:" An order to Israeli saboteurs to set fire to American installations in Egypt to mar relations between Egypt and the U.S. Other resignations occurred for political reasons, usually of ministers not satisfied with the leeway given them in running their ministries.

Shapiro's downfall seems to have been brought about by the Netivei Neft affair. At first, he declared that the case was not one for a state commission of inquiry to handle. Public opinion was overwhelmingly in favor of an official inquiry into complaints over the administration of this government-owned oil producing firm.

However, Shapiro preferred at first to nominate individual investigators - Yaacov Arnon, former director general of the finance ministry, and Moshe Ben-Zeev, a former attorney general. Contrary to the latter's recommendation, Shapiro did not hand over to the police allegations of theft and fraud. He eventually bowed to public opinion, which demanded a commission of inquiry. However, his earlier opposition to this was well remembered.

The commission itself proved an albatross around his neck. The majority recommendations raised an outcry in the country. In effect, it was the minority report which won the day when Netivei Neft director Mordechai Friedman resigned voluntarily. Shapiro's director general Zvi Terlo, advised the commission what fees to pay the lawyers. Terlo failed to recommend a ceiling sum. Computing on the basis of his recommendations, the commission arrived at $100,000. Another public outcry followed, this time directed at the Ministry of Justice as well as the commission members.

PUBLIC ADMISSION

In the Knesset last week, Shapiro publicly admitted he had made a mistake in not laying down a maximum figure. However, he opposed retroactive legislation and Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir came to an arrangement with the lawyers under which they waived the major part of their fees. The retroactive legislation was recommended by his own faction in the Knesset, the Labor Alignment.

Shapiro said this clashed with his concept of the role of law and that he would resign if such legislation was indeed approved. He won the day. But apparently he must have realized the mood of public opinion and decided to resign.

Yaacov Shimshon Shapiro is one of the last remaining members of the Mapai old guard still in office. He was born in 1902. A Knesset member in the early 1950s, he was forced to resign when he suddenly became wealthy and was considered unfit to represent a workers' party. This occurred when an oil company for which Shapiro did legal work suddenly struck oil. The shares with which he had been paid for his services soared in value overnight and he became a millionaire.

Shapiro was co-opted to the cabinet in 1966 at the invitation of the late Premier Levi Eshkol. Until the Netivei Neft affair broke he had been considered one of the most influential Cabinet ministers and a member of the inner circle with which Premier Golda Meir usually confers on important issues before bringing them to the Cabinet plenum.

Immoral UN members preach 'morality' to Israel

By J. B. SALSBERG

This is written when the Security Council of the United Nations is once again deliberating over charges which an Arab state has made against Israel. Before the Council's decision will be made, we will, of course, be treated to another round of cynical and hypocritical speeches delivered by tarnished representatives of morally disqualified governments on the Council.

This time the charges come from Lebanon which is quite often torn betwixt and between. But what do we see when we look closer at Lebanon which defends its reputation by claiming that it is only a little bit pregnant? We see that the capital of Lebanon serves as the flaunting headquarters of the extremist terrorist gang that claimed "credit" for the revolting massacre at the Lydda airport.

Only partially-pregnant Lebanon has set aside a stretch of its border territory with Israel for unhindered use by terrorists. It is from this terrorist-controlled area of Lebanon that they make their murderous raids on Israeli farm settlements; from which they crawl forward to plant mines on Israeli highways; from which they attack Israeli school buses loaded with children and to which they return for safety and protection under the Lebanese flag. But if the defenders of the life of Israelis pursue the murderers to their lairs then the innocent maiden of Beirut, quickly puts on her apron to conceal her condition and protests her innocence to the wide world.

This latest hypocritical exhibition at the U.N. turns one's mind sadly to the manifestations of disturbing immorality on the international scene.

Iraq, in whose capital a public holiday was proclaimed to celebrate hangings in the public squares, was honored with a seat on the Security Council while Israel, who has not executed a single terrorist, has thus far been denied a seat on the non-permanent side of the Council.

The Sudan, guilty of conducting the worst genocide campaign against its Black population, continues to be an honored member of the U.N. and has not even been censured for its Hitler-like inhumanities.

Representatives of Saudi Arabia, where the slave trade has not yet been eradicated and where the theft of bread results in the public amputation of the hand of such a "criminal" - spokesmen of that and similar states also presume to lecture Israel at the U.N.

At the smell of Arabian oil, France turned its back on Israel, it's close friend and collaborator, and is publicly praised by Arab spokesmen. While lecturing Israel at the U.N., France ignores international pacts; ignores protests from most countries bordering on the Pacific and is defiantly proceeding to make a new series of atomic tests in that area of the world. What is equally shocking is the fact that the powerful French forces of the left are ominously silent while the Pompidou government proceeds with its dangerous "experiments."

And a few weeks ago the world was made aware of an especially nauseating bit of perfidy. It is part of the legacy which the great "liberal and humanitarian" president F. D. Roosevelt, left behind.

Now that his personal papers and documents have been opened to public examination it is discovered that in 1945, while the U.S. president was returning from the historic Yalta conference, his ship was anchored off the coast of Saudi Arabia and he received King Ibn Saud aboard his ship. After all oil is oil. . . .) Now read and weep.

The documents reveal: "The president asked His Majesty's advice about the problem of Jewish refugees who had been driven out of their homes in Europe. His Majesty replied that in his opinion the Jews should be returned to the lands from which they had been expelled." Roosevelt evidently agreed with the head of the oil-rich country and the document informs us that: "The president remarked that Poland can serve as an example. It seems that the Germans killed 3 million Polish Jews. By that calculation, there ought to be enough room there to settle many homeless Jews." And that was Roosevelt at whose death millions cried, including most Jews. . . .

How dare they lecture Israel? The immoral preach morality to Israel!

West Bank residents much too busy working to notice charges of UN Human Rights Commision

Recently the UN Human Rights Commission passed a resolution accusing Israel of "war crimes" in occupied territories. Geoffrey D. Paul, Jewish Chronicle Middle East bureau chief, looks at the situation on the West Bank.

If there was one place where the United Nations Human Rights' Commission resolution accusing Israel of "war crimes" in the occupied territories passed virtually unnoticed it was on the West Bank. With some 150,000 relatives and friends from elsewhere in the Arab world expected to visit them over the next few months (the first hundreds have been crossing Allenby Bridge this week), most West Bankers are too busy painting and cleaning up their homes to heed the charges.

Maybe they think about them on the way to the bank, but there is no sign of it. Everyone is much too busy either working in Israel or catering to the domestic demand for goods and services which has followed the boost in income of the last five years.

One interesting development noted by an Israeli reporter is the rise of a new class of small enterpreneurs. Before the Six Day War, West Bank society was rigidly divided into different economic classes, from underpaid and unskilled laborers up to rich bankers and merchants.

There was practically no mobility from one class to another. You were what you were and industry brought small rewards. But the picture is changing fast, with long-term and profound economic, social and possibly political implications. Learning from their experience of working in Israel, small craftsmen and even unskilled workers are joining together to form co-operatives, offering their services on contract for a negotiated fee rather than on a day-by-day wage basis.

New building companies are springing up in West Bank towns to meet the demand for housing and business premises and a group of clothing workers who once commuted to Israeli factories have bought their own machinery and are now sub-contracting from their previous employers.

The womenfolk, too, are learning the new ways. Instead of travelling daily to plants in Israel, a number of them are taking work home and handing it out to their friends and neighbors.

Banks are the best reflector of the boom. New accounts are being opened daily and there has been an unprecedented demand for short - and medium-term loans. Some of the Arab banks which closed after the Israeli occupation are reported to be planning to reopen.

If this, as the Human Rights Commission proclaimed, is an "affront to humanity," the humanity most directly concerned show little sign of it.

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan visits the Allenby Bridge. Arrangements for processing visitors from Arab countries this summer have been improved, he said.

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Sculptor touches heart of community

By JERRY GLADMAN

TORONTO –

The compassion, the beauty, the warmth and the infinite understanding of loneliness, suffering and despair, all that is part of Nathan Rapoport's genius, briefly touched the hearts of Toronto's Jewish community last week during a two-day visit by the world renowned artist and sculptor.

At a lecture at the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, arranged by the United Organizations for Histadrut, more than 250 people listened to the shy, soft-spoken, humble Rapoport explain how he came to execute some of his monumental works of art.

Apologizing to his audience for not being a speaker, he said: "My words are made of bronze and stone, heavy and silent but remaining for a long time."

The major part of his lecture dealt with his two most important and famous works – the masterful monument to the heroes of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising and the memory of the six million Jews who perished in the Holocaust, and the Scroll of Fire, the massive 26-foot monument unveiled last March in the Martyrs' Forest in the Judean Hills near Jerusalem.

The 61-year-old sculptor, a native of Warsaw and himself a survivor of the Nazi slaughter, escaped from Warsaw before the ghetto but was later taken to a labor camp. After he was liberated, he heard of the terrible conditions in the ghetto from a newspaperman friend.

"I had to try with all my heart to communicate my feelings. I started to work on a model, declaring my feelings of pity, sorrow and anger. When the Uprising started, I began working in a more romantic, inspired mood."

Later, when word of the massacre of the fighters reached him, his mood changed.

"At times it was difficult to work because of the emotions I was filled with," he added.

He worked for four years on the small model, during which time he returned to Warsaw and viewed the destruction first hand.

The Jewish Art Committee in Warsaw accepted his work, but couldn't find a site until the new plans for rebuilding the city were ready. Rapoport told them the site had to be on the ruins where the ghetto heroes made their final stand.

Because there wasn't sufficient stone in Warsaw to build the full-scale model, he went to Sweden. Ironically, the stone he used for the monument was the stone intended for use by German sculptors to commemorate the German victory.

He finished the monument in Paris. "My purpose was to get back the inspiration taken away by the destruction."

The Warsaw memorial was unveiled in the Ghetto Heroes' Square on April 19, 1948, the fifth anniversary of the uprising. Depicted on the massive monument are figures of the martyrs and suffering Jews, which he showed to his audience via slides.

Rapoport, who has a home in Ramat Gan but does his casting in Italy and New York, emphasizes how important it is for people to remember the past, which comes through so strongly in his work.

"People who don't cherish the past, have no future."

He said his work is not only important to the older generations as a reminder of what has happened, but to a new generation which has had no contact with the Holocaust, either in time or space.

"They must know that if you don't fight for freedom, you will have the same thing happen again."

For the last two years, Rapoport has been working on the statue of Gad Manela, which he hopes to have finished for the 25th anniversary of the State of Israel.

Gad Manela was a young paratrooper who lost his life in the final hours of the Six Day War. He came upon a cave filled with Arab guerillas. The other members of his patrol wanted to spray the cave with machine gun fire and grenades, but the guerillas sent out a young Arab woman.

"The boy didn't want to injure the girl so he didn't shoot. The Arabs inside the cave fired upon him and he was killed.

Rapoport says he wants the statue of Gad Manela to be linked to the one in Yad Mordekhai, which was modelled after one of the young leaders of the Ghetto Uprising.

"There are many Gad Manelas and Morekhais. They must be remembered."

JDC aided 320,000 in 1971, report reveals

NEW YORK –

The Joint Distribution Committee, which receives funds from Toronto's UJA-ISF campaign, aided 320,000 needy Jews in 25 countries around the world in 1971, according to a report issued this week by Samuel L. Haber, the JDC's executive director.

More than 42% of its resources was allocated to aid 103,000 persons in Israel. A total of 163,000 Jews were helped in eastern and western Europe; 44,000 in North Africa, Iran and other Moslem countries; and 10,000 in other areas such as Australia, China, India and South Africa.

Total expenditures for the year, Haber said, were $24,292,000.

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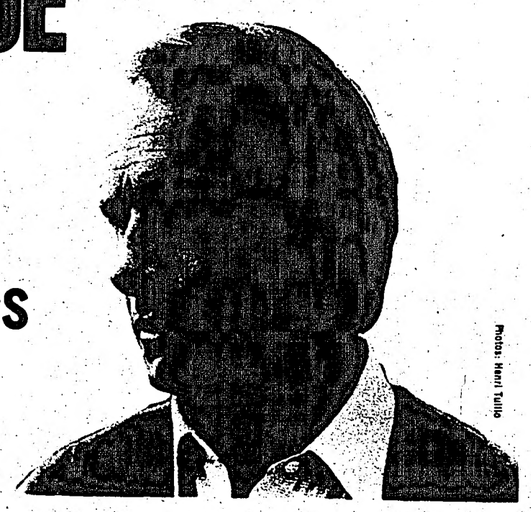

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—**The Arabs:** resentful of what they felt to be an effort to seize a land they believed theirs in the name of a crime they had not committed — the persecution of the Jews in the Christian West; driven to disaster by incompetent politicians; deeding the world the seeds of a new tragedy in their refugee camps . . .

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Rabbi Ben Hollander, former youth and education director of Beth Tzedec Synagogue, instructs two of his younger pupil's during December's Machaneh Horef.

Community is the ideal school, claims rabbi

Rabbi Ben Hollander is recovering from a mild heart attack in Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer, Mass. The rabbi was stricken with the attack June 22 at Camp Ramah, Mass. The following interview took place before Rabbi Hollander left Toronto.

TORONTO –

After teaching for two years at Beth Tzedec, former youth and education director Rabbi Ben Hollander now plans to study for a year in Israel.

"We have very happy associations with Israel," Rabbi Hollander says of the country where he met and married his wife, Judy, and their only child, Elana, was born.

But before going on aliyah, the Hollanders are off to summer camp. The rabbi, who's contract at Beth Tzedec was not renewed last February despite protest from more than 300 members of the synagogue, will spend the summer as education director of Camp Ramah in Palmer, Mass.

Rabbi Hollander, who has been involved with Ramah since 1966, says the camp is "a chance to have a totally controlled environment so that Hebrew is a spoken thing."

His interest in education is completely in keeping with his view of the role of the rabbi in today's society.

"My conception of the rabbi is one person within a community of Jews and because he's well versed in Jewish learning, he emerges as an educator in that community."

As an educator, Rabbi Hollander believes schools and their structures and educational methods should be studied and changed when change is needed.

The U.S. born, 36-year-old rabbi says that one organization that is doing something along that line is the Toronto United Jewish Welfare Fund with its Study Commission.

For more than a year, the commission – comprised of six task forces made up of laymen – has been visiting day schools and studying and evaluating everything from their financial structures to their curriculum.

"It's the Jewish community investigating its own education system taking a hard look at it," says the rabbi.

Criticizing and evaluating existing educational systems is nothing new to Rabbi Hollander who believes that the ideal school is the entire community with both adults and children its students.

There's a growing movement on the part of kids and college – educated adults he said. "I think that its qualities and characteristics are more and more of an expectancy of involvement and more and more a rejection of arbitrary authority," says Rabbi Hollander.

"Involvement is the key," sums up Mrs. Hollander, an attractive brunette who regularly freelanced news and feature stories for The CJN under her maiden name Judy Platt.

Rabbi Hollander sees the return to religion by many youth as a "yearning for creative religious expression."

"The question is can organized religion meet that?" adds Mrs. Hollander.

Rabbi Hollander doubts that organized Judaism can unless it becomes more informal in its rituals.

"Their parents might rather listen to a choir, but they'd rather sing in it," he says.

More than 300 members of Beth Tzedec Parents for Youth and Education gathered to bid farewell to the Hollanders before they departed for Camp Ramah Sun., June 18.

Librarians expand horizons

By CANDICE LICHTMAN

TORONTO –

Talking with Jewish novelists and doing Israeli folk dances may soon become a routine part of every trip to the library, if the Jewish librarians who met in Toronto last week succeed in their plans.

Living and learning in the library brings many ideas and programs to mind for the 62 members of the Association of Jewish Libraries who attended a three day convention here.

For Miriam Leikind, librarian of the Temple in Cleveland which houses the largest congregational library in North America, it means community involvement. When a teenager spoke of her year in Israel at the Temple library, the participants felt enough at home to push aside the tables and try the latest steps of a fast-moving Israeli dance.

Some cultural outlets Miss Leikind has organized are seminars in book reviewing for women, special holiday displays and story hours for pre-schoolers.

Researchers are often attracted to the Temple's collection of the papers of the American Zionist Rabbi Hillel Silver. Known for his speech at the United Nations in 1947 urging Israel's admission, he was also the rabbi of the Temple for many years.

Dr. Nathan Kaganoff, librarian of the American Jewish Historical Society, is president of the Association of Jewish Libraries. Formed eight years ago to encourage Jewish librarianship, it provides scholarships for training librarians, sets standards for Jewish libraries and publishes aids such as lists of Judaica books, catalogue cards and indexes. More than half of the members are laymen; many are housewives who volunteer their time.

While in Toronto the librarians toured the University of Toronto library. The new Judaica courses at the university have led to an interest in increasing the library's Judaica collection. Representatives of the university attended the convention's 'problem clinics' to pick up suggestions in acquiring and cataloguing Judaica books.

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"RELATIVES SOUGHT - OCTOBER - 1971"

2. **FERGUSON, Sam,** salesman, born in Poland, son of Max Cooper, mother's maiden name Greenfield, has a sister, Sarah and brother Joe, both born in Poland, sought by sister, Sarah Cooper, Toronto.

6. **GOLIGER, Adi** (also known as Adam or Abraham), son of Samuel and Genia Goliger, served with the Polish Army, sought by cousin, Mary Haber, daughter of Morris and Celia Goliger, Brooklyn, New York.

"RELATIVES SOUGHT - NOVEMBER - 1971"

2. **RODIER, Louis,** sons' names - Abe, Harry and Jack. Sought by Benjamin Schrager, Flushing, N.Y. who has three daughters, Miriam, Carol and Joanne. Wife's name is Esther.

8. **KALNINSCH, Arik,** born in Riga, Latvia, January 2, 1917, son of Vladimir and Luba Kalninsch, nee Sprukt, last known address in Toronto was 329 Howland Avenue, worked for Kerr-Addison Gold Mines Limited, Staffhouse, Virginiatown, Ontario, sought by Cousin, Josef Schlossman, Sweden.

9. **HIROM, Hersz,** son of Shlomo, has a wife Eva, son – Shimon and daughters, Chaja and Shoshana, last known address in Toronto, 97 Brunswick Avenue, sought by the Suras family, Winnipeg.

"RELATIVES SOUGHT - DECEMBER - 1971"

2. **ZELMAN (or Zalman), Heather,** in Canada since 1956, has four sisters, born in Poland, sought by friend, Paul Bruyn, born in Rotterdam, Holland, 41, son of Cornelius and Meles, now in Toronto.

3. **PIROZNIK, Chana-Leja,** from Rowno, Volyn, formerly Poland and now Russia, in Canada since 1904, maiden name Triger, sought by Kalman Triger of Israel, may have children somewhere in Canada. Another relative Israel Mucznik is in Israel.

5. **GREENWALD, Sonia,** about 60, a teacher, in Canada 45 years, sought by friend, Michael Sumberg, son of Moshe-Avraham and Chaia, wife's name Jossie and children, Tania and Marsha.

6. **WEXLER (or Wechsler) Jean (John),** married, 64, arrived from Roumania in Canada five years ago, son of Jacques and Marie, wife's name Anuta, sought by friend, Hermina Vlasopos, Warren, U.S.A.

"RELATIVES SOUGHT - JANUARY - 1972"

3. **COUFER, Schloma,** may also be known as Kaufer, Zofer or Sofer, 70, son of David and Pearl, sought by sister, Bele Coufer-Gringrus, Dniepropetrovsk, Russia.

6. **AST, Mordechai-Isle,** son of Iankiel and Bronia Ast, last known address in 1956 was France, presumably immigrated to Canada.

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2. **PLUZNIK, Szaja,** in Toronto, Canada, since 1946, born in Bendzin, Poland, son of Zelig and Hadada (Hudys), brother of Ita, Adela, Szajndel and Golda, sought by niece, Barbara Spaczynski, nee Krzemnski of Albany, daughter of Berel.

7. **GUTTMAN, Isaac,** shoemaker, born either in Poland or Russia, sought by friend, Jaime Nachmoni, born in Poland, now in Hollywood, assistant rabbi.

8. **ROZENTOULLER, Misha and Joshua,** born in Zvanchik, Ukraine, sons of Leib sought by cousin, Dr. Alberto Rozental (Rozentouller), son of Boruch and Tzipora (Sonia), born in Medellin, Colombia, 30.

9. **CHAIT, Iossif,** son of Gedalia, sought by Fania, daughter of Iakov Pelzak.

14. **EISENBERG, Karolina,** born February, 1913, in Dorohobycz, Poland, maiden name Kalchstein, lived in Waldenberg, Lower Silesia to January, 1951 and thereafter emigrated to Canada, sought by cousin, Samuel Kugel, in Paris to 1954, now in Israel.

"RELATIVES SOUGHT - MARCH - 1972"

2. **LIEBLICH, Elvira, also known, Lobe,** married, pianist, 50, born in Bucharest, Roumania, daughter of Solomon, husband, Alfred, sought by Sergiu Nachmias, born in Bucharest, Roumania, 49, son of Itzhak and Sofia, nee Lobel, in Canada since 1961.

"RELATIVES SOUGHT - APRIL - 1972"

1. **MAREK, Julek,** 40, born in Hungary, in Canada since 1962, physician, son of Mendel Marek, nephew of Rafael Marek, sought by cousins, Aareon, Raphael and Joseph, Hartford, U.S.A.

2. **WEISBROT, Leah,** nee Greenberg, born in Focsani, Roumania, wife of Gedalia, sought by uncle, Chaim Abramovici, son of Joseph and Paulina, Vancouver, B.C.

4. **MRS. KIRSH (Hamburg),** last known address in Toronto was 180 Highbourne Rd., born in Warsaw, Poland and **MRS. FELLA ERENREICH (nee Hamburg),** last known address D. P. Camp 677 ULM/A/D, Donaubastion, also born in Warsaw, sought by V. Zimmerman, Israel.

5. **NADOLNY, Mordechai,** in Canada since 1932, carpenter, born in Poland, 1907, son of Yeshaiahu and Debora, sought by cousin, Frida Nadolny, nee Mosak, daughter of Shlomo and Ester, 68, residing in Israel since 1949.

8. **ASPER, Leon** and **ASPER, Mania,** married name **GOLDSHTEIN,** children of Aba and Tzipa Asper, also the children of Leon Asper, Aba, Etel and Pinhus-Hersh, Mania Goldshtein's children, Basia, Tzilia and Ester, sought by sister and aunt, Tzipa Gleizer, nee Asper, married name Gleizer, who recently arrived in Israel from Russia.

"RELATIVES SOUGHT - MAY - 1972"

1. **BLUM, Richard** and **Otto,** engineers, sons of Tina-Reizl and Salo Risel, nee Blum, sought by cousin Sima Manzbach, Israel, residing somewhere in Canada.

2. **GWARCMAN, Nathan,** last known address was 70 Brunswick Avenue, Toronto, ward of Jewish Family & Child Service in Toronto some years ago, sought by United Restitution Office.

6. **HAMMER, Morris** and **RUDOLF, S.,** Morris is the son of S. Hammer, Clinton Street, last known address was 480 Roselawn Avenue, Toronto, Mr. Hammer is a jeweller, sought by I. Hammer, London, England.

7. **JABLON, Shifra,** nee Katan, born in Lipno, Poland, daughter of Jacob and Sara, presumably a resident of Montreal or somewhere in Canada, sought by cousin, Moshe Shaiewicz, born in Dzubin, Poland, now in Israel.

9. **SCHAMES, Neche,** in Canada since 1948, daughter of Zavel and Sara, has one brother Itzhak and a sister Chaia, sought by niece, Riva Schuster, nee Swartzberg, born in Shavel, Lithuania, daughter of Chaim and Haia, now in Israel.

10. **SHEARER, Berti** or **Bertl,** born in Vienna, Austria, 48, parents Herman and Mitzi, came to Canada before the last war, sought by cousin, Andreas Gerbel, Mulheim-Ruhr, Germany.

"RELATIVES SOUGHT - JUNE - 1972"

2. **SHULMAN (Schulman) Eliezer (Lazar)** and **RESNICK, Shandel Kilamacher,** sought by relative Leo Shulman, Elmont, L.I., N.Y. The Canadian relatives came from Odessa, Russia, in the 1930's or 1940's.

3. **NAHEEM, Sophie,** last known address in Toronto was 102 Seaton Street, sought by nephew Sloma Rahhuh of Israel.

5. **KOGAN, Aharon,** in Canada since 1910, son of Akiva and Feige, born in Tchernigov, District of Mogiliov, White Russia, sister - Chana Sara Kogan, sought by cousin, Rachel Markowitz, nee Simkina of Mogiliov, Russia.

6. **GRINBERG, Misha,** born in Siedlec, Poland, has a brother, Sasha, residing somewhere in Canada, sought by friend, Israel Kravetz, Israel.

7. **SHTEINMAN, Chiel,** in Canada since 1930, born in Skapishkis, Lithuania, son of Mendel, sought by cousin, Moshe Gafanovich, son of Avraham and Chana, born in 1915, Skapishkis, Lithuania.

8. **FEFER, Mendel (Munio),** born in Tlusta, Poland, son of Anczel and Chava, married, son Grisha, sought by friend, Joseph Waxman, Israel.

9. **SWIECA, Michal,** engineer, born in Warsaw, Poland, in 1916, son of Moses and Katia Swieca, nee Garilew, resided in Lodz after war, sought by cousin, Helena Brown, nee Garilew, Israel.

10. **KRISHIVETZ, Ethel,** nee Kogan, in Canada since 1925, presumably in Toronto, born in Tchernigov, Province of Mogiliov, White Russia, husband, Kusha, daughter of Akiva and Feige, sought by niece, Rachel Markovitz, nee Simkina, daughter of Isser and Zlota.

Community Bulletin Board

Head table guests look on as Nathan Rapoport receives Scroll presented by United Organizations for Histadrut. Left to right: Sam Bierstone, Julius Ciechanowski, Rabbi David Monson, Nathan Rapoport, Jacob Egit, Alex Grossman, Benny Goldglas, Victor Giblon and Sam Cohen.

One of its original members and still active in The Toronto Hebrew Benevolent Society, Nathan Lastman was honored by that organization through the establishment of an Endowment for Perpetual Student Aid at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. At the season's closing meeting, David E. Newman, Q.C., on behalf of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, presented the University's Endowment Album to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lastman, with Lodge President Harry Davidovitch presenting his cheque to Mr. Newman.

From left Barnett Danson, M.P., Murray Koffler National President of Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science and Hon. Alastair Gillespie, federal minister of science and technology examine illustrated book recounting history of accomplishments of Institute.

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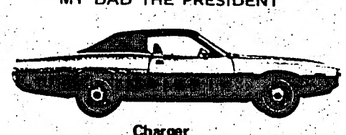

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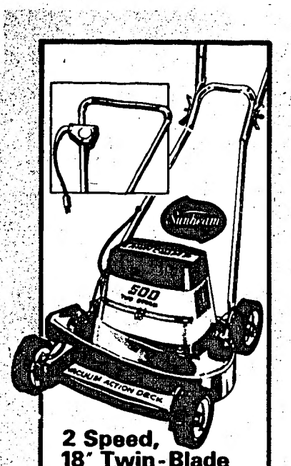

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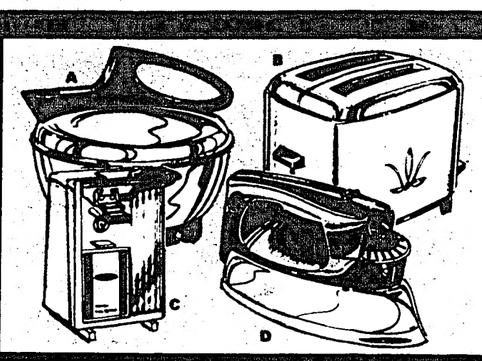

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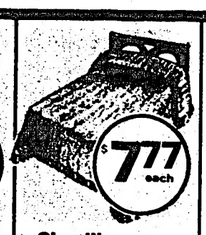

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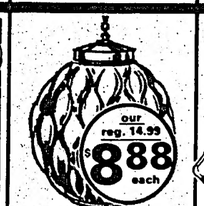

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Trepper suing French ministry

Leopold Trepper

LONDON (JCNS) -

Leopold Trepper, who headed the Soviet spy ring in Nazi-occupied Western Europe (the "Red Orchestra") during the Second World War, is suing the director of State Security in the French ministry of the interior, Jean Rochet, for libel.

Rochet, in a letter to Le Monde, the influential French daily, had accused Trepper of having betrayed some of his members of the "Red Orchestra" to the Gestapo when he fell into its hands towards the end of 1944.

Trepper, who is 68 and held the rank of general in the Red Army, has now issued a writ for libel and instructed a French lawyer to conduct his case. He has also applied to both the Polish and French authorities to enable him to appear in the Paris court where the case is to be heard in November.

Trepper managed to escape from his German captors before the end of the war. He was flown to Moscow. In 1961 he returned to his native Poland where, under his old pre-war Communist Party pseudonym of Domb, he became chairman of the Social and Cultural Union of Polish Jews and thus the virtual leader of the Jewish community.

He resigned during the anti-Jewish campaign in Poland four years ago, but the authorities refused to allow him to leave the country, although they permitted his wife, Luba, and their three sons to do so.

Nixon disappoints Soviet activists

NEW YORK (JTA) -

Jewish activists in the Soviet Union have expressed disappointment in the results of President Nixon's visit to Russia last month. Contrary to their "great expectation" that their situation would improve, "we see that after the visit our condition worsens," they said in a new appeal addressed to President Nixon and other world leaders.

The text of the appeal was telephoned from Moscow to the headquarters of the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry here. It stated that people seeking to leave the USSR are being subjected to military induction.

"A week does not pass without arrests, intrusions by force or inductions against these people," the appeal said.

Jewish activist Gavriel Shapiro goes on trial this week in Moscow on as yet unspecified charges, sources reported. Judy Silver Shapiro, who married the activist in a religious ceremony in Moscow June 8 but was denied a civil marriage or a visa extension, reported from Cincinnati that her father-in-law, Jacob Shapiro, had been refused permission to see his son. The elder Shapiro, who wanted to give the 27-year-old prisoner a Bible, told his daughter-in-law by telephone that the authorities had told him: "This is a prison, not a church. You cannot see your son until after the trial."

The appeal to the heads of state and national legislative bodies demanding "human rights" for persons detained or inducted in the USSR was signed by Nashpitz and by Boris Einbender, Boris and Maria Orlov, Kaplan (fist name not given), Valentine Prussakov "and others" according to the SSSJ. It referred to Shapiro's arrest and to the arrests on June 5 of Boris Epist and on June 12 of Vladimir Prestin.

"They will not go on trial but will be put in the Army," the communication said. Nashpitz's letter to Dr. Waldheim appealed to him "to use all your influence to prevent Gavriel's induction into the Soviet Army and to effect his release to Israel."

Japan, Israel sign pact

TEL AVIV (JTA) -

Israel's largest industrial holding company, the Histadrut-owned Koor Industries, has signed an agreement in Tokyo with the giant Japanese firm of Koichi Ishikawa for the establishment of a joint trading company to develop commerce between the two nations and to expand their commerce in other parts of the world, particularly Africa.

The contract was signed by Meir Amit, general director of Koor, and Koichi Ishikawa, president of the Japanese concern. Israeli circles hailed the deal as a major economic and political breakthrough for Israel.

Heavy death toll causes Palestinians to question whether game worth candle

FROM ARAB SOURCES:

The Arab World Weekly

The large number of Palestinian commandos who have been killed in action, either against the Israelis or against the armies of Arab countries, has raised the question of whether it was sensible to go on fighting under extremely unfavorable conditions. The question was not raised by some Palestinian quarters only recently, but rather immediately after the Jordanian civil war in September, 1970. It was raised again last summer when the Jordanian army dealt its decisive and final blow to the Palestinian commandos and drove them out of the country completely.

Those who asked the question argued on the strength of three main points:

1 - That conditions in the Arab states surrounding Israel were not encouraging to the Palestinian resistance movement to carry out commando operations against the Israelis. In all of these countries, the commando movement's activities and freedom are firmly restricted. And as long as the Arab countries are not helpful in this respect, for reasons which are acceptable only to the governments of these states, it would be useless to go on fighting a fully-equipped and larger Israeli army.

2 - That as long as all the borders between Israel and the Arab countries remain quiet and the Arab armies inactive, it would be suicidal for the Palestinian commandos to continue fighting, even though some Arab governments content themselves with the fact that the reason the Arabs accepted a ceasefire in the region was only to give peace efforts a chance of succeeding.

3 - That the Palestinian commandos, including all the active guerrilla organizations and the Palestine Liberation Army (PLA), are only a few thousand men, and the total Palestinian population living outside Israel and the occupied territories is not more than a million and a half people. Therefore, to continue the fight under the present conditions and to tolerate the loss of two, three, or four commandos in every operation against Israel "is tantamount to a slow process of extermination of the Palestinians."

In other words, it is argued, comparing the Palestinian resistance movement with the Algerian liberation struggle or the guerrilla warfare in Vietnam is not only unacceptable, but also unfounded. If the Algerians were able to offer a "million martyrs" during their struggle for independence from the French, the Palestinians cannot afford to do so for it would mean the extermination of nearly half the Palestinian Arabs.

Hence, the emergence of some Palestinians who advocate that as long as the Arab states are not in a position to fight on the side of the Palestinian resistance movement, or even activate their frontlines with Israel, the commandos should lie low, but hold on to their arms. The proposal is made on the basis of the fact that the Palestinians alone cannot restore the occupied territories, let alone Palestine. On the other hand, the commando movement must play a vanguard role in the event hostilities between the Arab states and Israel are re sumed.

In the meantime, what the commando movement could possibly concentrate its efforts on is sabotage operations within Israel proper. This is only to prove that the movement still exists and to create panic inside Israel.

Naturally, the proposal has been a cause of controversy in Palestinian circles, which are now busy reorganizing themselves in the light of an assessment of the past five years' experience. But the constant loss of lives among the commandos in occasional guerrilla operations is still causing worries among certain Palestinian quarters.

War criminal freed

2,000 demonstrate

PARIS (JCNS) -

Led by a former French minister of labor, Daniel Mayer, and now president of the French League of Human Rights, 2,000 former deportees, Jews and members of the resistance movement, silently demonstrated last week against President Pompidou's pardon to former war criminal Paul Touvier.

Touvier led the Vichy militia in Lyons and assisted the Gestapo chief, Klaus Barbie. He was twice sentenced to death (1945-47) in absentia. Touvier had an infamous record as a persecutor of the resistance movement and the Jewish community.

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LONDON (JCNS) -

Cairo's announcement that Egypt and West Germany were resuming diplomatic relations, broken in May, 1965, when West Germany and Israel established diplomatic links, did not surprise Jerusalem, writes the JCNS correspondent on Middle East Affairs.

It was known for some time that Bonn was working for better relations with the Arab states, while at the same time emphasizing that these relations were not directed against Israel or any other state.

West Germany's attitude was confirmed as recently as April by Walter Scheel, the foreign minister, when he stated to the press: "It would be foolish if our policy towards the Middle East states consisted of tearing open a hole in one place in order to plug a hole in another."

He said that like other European states, West Germany had a strong interest in alleviating tension in the Middle East, because ultimately such tension would represent a threat to Europe.

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CLOSING ON DOMINION DAY (CANADA DAY) SATURDAY, JULY 1, 1972, BY-LAW 23249 PROVIDES THAT ALL SHOPS, EXCEPT WHERE THE ONLY TRADE OR BUSINESS CARRIED ON IS THAT OF A LICENSED HOTEL OR TAVERN, VICTUALLING HOUSE OR REFRESHMENT HOUSE A DRUG STORE, AN AUTOMOBILE SERVICE STATION OR A PUBLIC GARAGE: SHALL REMAIN CLOSED ON DOMINION DAY (CANADA DAY).

BY-LAW NUMBER 23249

A BY-LAW to close all shops on Dominion Day (Canada Day).

WHEREAS Section 379a (5a) and (6) of the Municipal Act R.S.O. 1960 Chapter 249 as amended, provides that the Council of every township may by by-law require that all or any class or classes of shops in the municipality shall be closed on any holiday as defined in The Interpretation Act.

AND WHEREAS under The Interpretation Act, Dominion Day is included in the definition of holiday. NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH YORK HEREBY EN

HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. **In this By-law: (a) 'closed' means not open for the serving of any customer;**
   (b) 'shop' means a building or part of a building, booth, stall or place where goods are exposed or offered for sale by retail, and barbers' shops, beauty parlours, shoe repair shops, shoe shine shops and hat cleaning and blocking businesses, but does not include a place where the only trade or business carried on is that of a licensed hotel or tavern, victualling house or refreshment house. a drug store, an automobile service station or a public garage;
2. **That all shops in the Borough of North York shall be closed and remain closed on Dominion Day (Canada Day).**
3. **Any person convicted of a breach of any of the provisions of this By-law shall forfeit and pay, at the discretion of the convicting Magistrate a penalty not exceeding (exclusive of costs) the sum of five thousand dollars for each offence.**
4. **This By-law shall take effect on and after the 30th day of June, 1970.**

ENACTED AND PASSED this 22nd day of June, A.D. 1970.

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Miriam Home develops emotional growth of retarded

Residents of the Miriam Home for the Exceptional in Montreal build a garden.

By MARK MEDICOFF
CJN Quebec Bureau Chief

MONTREAL -

"Kids at the Miriam Home are a lot smarter than people give them credit for," says Elvern Garber, executive-director of the Miriam Home for the Exceptional.

"People don't like retarded people, let's face it, that's the way it is," bluntly asserted a group supervisor at the home.

Two comments that vividly express the affection and protectiveness felt by the staff at the Miriam Home - who must not only deal with problems faced by the youngsters within the institution, but also those encountered outside the walls.

The home is a motel-like structure located outside the island in a suburb populated by a large Jewish community. For some 55 adults and adolescents who are mentally retarded and suffer the complications of emotional disturbances, the Miriam is "home."

The home was established in 1970 by a group of businessmen, headed by Louis Greenberg, who felt that the mentally retarded of the community weren't enjoying the atmosphere of a Jewish setting coupled with up-to-date educational training methods.

The home employs a system of behavior modification - a concept new to Quebec - where self-destructive or unproductive behavior patterns are altered by a system of rewards and punishments.

"We can't let them go out into society and leave them defenceless," explained Garber.

"If a kid has never learned to dress himself, then we start from scratch, and when he sticks a leg into his pants by himself, we would reward him with a hug, or verbal affection.

"If he throws a temper tantrum," added the soft-spoken director," then we would punish him by ignoring the behavior - unless of course it might have serious consequences."

Thus the frequency of the bad behavior pattern becomes diminished, while good behavior is reinforced.

Although it may take months to teach a youngster to put on a pair of shoes or pants, that one act will eventually enable him to meet the demanded standards of society.

The behavior modification method is most difficult for the parents, explained Garber, who "sometimes think it is a brutal punishment, especially since it is 'my' child".

"This is very understandable, since almost all the parents have literally devoted their lives - night and day - to helping their child," he added.

Bruce Uditsky, a supervisor at the home, said some parents have not even taken a rest or a vacation for the entire time their child was at home.

"The problems faced by the parents are really very difficult, some have problems maintaining their own relationships and the relationships with other children in the household," he added.

The Miriam is completely kosher, and Rabbi Dr. Samuel Cass acts as director of social services, overviewing shabbot on Fridays and the observances of holidays such as Passover and Chanukah.

To develop the emotional growth of the mentally retarded, many youngsters are sent to a special school run by the department of education with a teacher ratio of one to three, as well as the Miriam Home's sheltered workshop.

The Miriam Home has dealt with the problem of the Jewish mentally retarded, "and done the community justice" with a problem that was once casually swept under the rug.

University dropout finds happiness in religion

TORONTO -

An aimless 20-year-old university dropout from Montreal went sightseeing one day in Jerusalem and discovered religion and a meaning to his life.

While wandering through the Old City in 1970, Haim Salonim happened upon the Diaspora Yeshiva Toras Yisroel - an event which changed the course of his life.

At that time, Salonim said he was "travelling around because I could not find anything in life to motivate me and involve myself in." He had just completed three years of study towards an arts degree at McGill University.

Haim Salonim

Before Rabbi Mordechai Goldstein invited him to take a look at the Yeshiva, Salonim admitted he didn't know what a yeshiva was. "At the time, I was hostile to religion."

But now, two years later, one finds the bearded youth to be an articulate spokesman for the Yeshiva and a return to 'Torah Judaism'.

Interviewed here while in Toronto fund raising for the Yeshiva, Salonim recalled his first experience with the Mt. Zion school.

"After I first walked in, I felt the warmth of the people and their interest in me. And their appearance was no different than mine."

A week after his first encounter with the Yeshiva, Salonim moved in and began to attend classes while helping out in the kitchen.

"Slowly but surely I came to understand prayers and the Torah. The atmosphere gives you a chance to develop with four to five students per class at seven different levels."

The reason kids are going elsewhere, he said, is because they are turned off to Judaism but "we feel no need for going elsewhere. . . . Yeshiva is at the forefront at questioning actions and seeking to help us to guide ourselves consciously."

Salonim plans to continue at Yeshiva studying and teaching. The school has 40 students and 13 teachers.

He noted that people are coming back to study the Torah.

"If we haven't had learning, we don't really understand what's going on in the synagogue and there's little meaning."

A member of the Miriam Home for the Exceptional works in kitchen.

Revisionist leader dead at 54

TORONTO -

The death occurred in Toronto last week of Tuvia (Ted Schwartz) national executive director of the Zionist Revisionist Organization of Canada. He was 54.

Born in Lutzk, Poland, he was one of the original members of Betar Brit Trumpeldor when the movement was founded by Ze'ev Jabotinsky. At age 20, he left Poland and organized Betar groups in many world centres and later served as director of Camp Betar in Liberty, New York.

Schwartz was a sergeant in the Canadian Army during the Second World War, serving in the intelligence corps. He was a veteran of Israel's 1948 War of Independence.

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Arts

Artario '72--'contemporary, sophisticated exhibition'

Kosso Eloul

Rita Letendre

By SOL I. LITTMAN

When governments commission art or architecture, the result is usually monumental, safe, conservative and backward looking. When spending taxpayers' money, governments prefer projects that are readily understood by the public and which don't shock its sensibility. Elected officials fear the kind of fate that befell former Toronto mayor Phil Givens when he sought to use civic funds to purchase Henry Moore's Archer and place it before City Hall.

Therefore, when the province of Ontario, through its Arts Council offers to bring art to the masses, one's first expectation is that it will mean another retrospective Group of Seven travelling show.

How exciting then to learn that **Artario 72**, a collection of sculptures and prints, created by 21 outstanding Canadian artists, is contemporary and sophisticated. Instead of catering to popular taste, this unique show will teach and lead.

A UNIQUE IDEA

Artario 72 is an intriguingly unique idea. Each artist was invited to create a work that could be reproduced in large multiple editions. The combined works, packaged in cardboard cartons which also convert into display cases, are being sold to schools, libraries, jails, civic clubs and art galleries. The individual art works in the show will be retailed for astoudingly low prices ranging from $2 to $15.

Artario 72 exhibits, including artists such as Kosso Eloul, Rita Letendre, Ron Baird, Louis de Niverville, Vera Frenkel and Mike Snow, will open in hundreds of simultaneous exhibits on Oct. 12, 1972.

Kosso Eloul's work should be familiar to anyone who has passed the Greenwin apartment complex on Davisville, east of Yonge. Leaning precariously, just at their tipping point, are two giant stainless steel rectangles. At first glance these highly finished, gleaming boxes appear so simple as to appear artless. Yet, each time one passes, the tension created by the piece, seemingly about to topple over, yet never falling, compels one's attention and eventually captivates one.

ISRAELI IN CANADA

Kosso Eloul is an Israeli, a former member of the Hagannah and resident of kibbutz Ein-Harod. One of the leaders of the international movement in sculpture Eloul is currently working and living in Toronto.

The work Eloul has created for **Artario 72** is an 11 by 18 inch pierced aluminum plate that expresses "the tension that is a common element in our life in the 70's.

"It expresses two elements striving to reach each other," Eloul said, "or force splitting the metal."

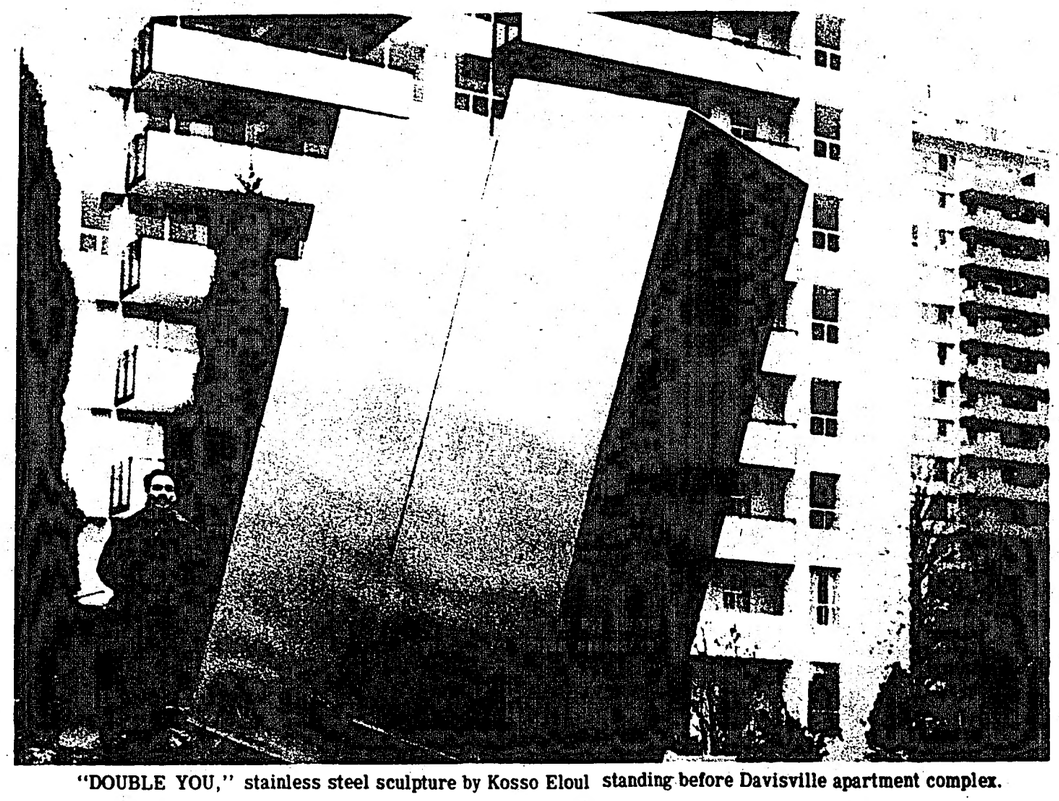
The piece, which would normally sell for at least $200 in its original form, will sell for $4.50 as a multiple.

EMPHASIZE VALUE

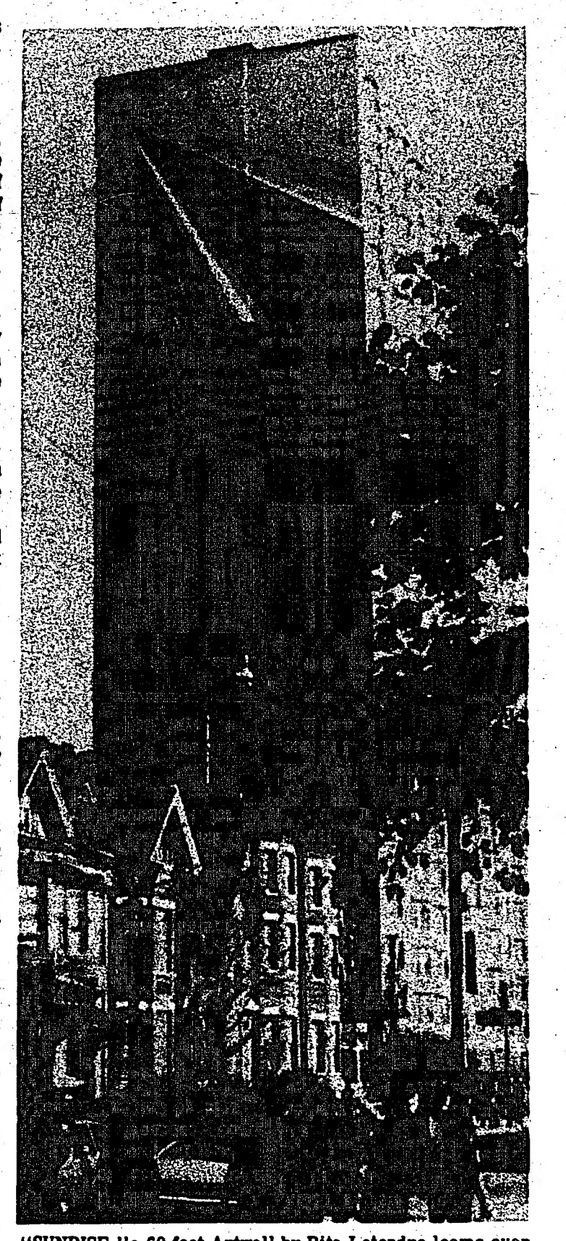
"In the recent past," Eloul stated, "we have been merchandising scarcity. Here we are emphasizing the value of the piece itself, not its rarity."

Rita Letendre, Eloul's wife, a Montreal girl whose hard edge, luminous wedges are like highways in the sky, has provided a silkscreen in five colors for the show. Those who know Miss Letendre's work or recognize it from the huge outside painting done on the wall of the Neill-Wycik College on Gerrard Street, will be eager to obtain one of her works at **Artario 72** prices.

A unique project, cleverly conceived and boldly executed, **Artario 72** is a credit to all who participated in it. The Ontario Arts Council is to be congratulated for creating it.



"DOUBLE YOU," stainless steel sculpture by Kosso Eloul standing before Davisville apartment complex.



"SUNRISE," a 60 foot Artwall by Rita Letendre looms over urban vista on school wall on Gerrard Street.

Influence of Oriental music

By RICK KARDONNE

The Festival of Maimona, held every May in Jerusalem, is an increasingly significant music event not only for Israel but for the entire Western and Eastern contemporary cultural scenes as well, for this is the showcase of the North African and Eastern Jewish music scene.

It is a mistake to believe that there is no difference between Arabic and Oriental Jewish music. There is indeed a difference. Arabic music, from its inception, remains highly stylized, bound by a code of rules regarding melodic progression which is as strict as the rules governing European classical harmony. Oriental Jewish music retains essential ancient Judaic themes, but, much more important, was always completely free of such rules of form, and therefore, was able to absorb and integrate many diverse melodic influences, from the romantic Mediterranean to Arabic to African to Indian elements, and blended them all into a highly fluid style.

Those who were fortunate enough to see the Inbal Dance Theatre at O'Keefe Centre 16 months ago were treated to a truly mind-blowing experience listening to many highly exciting and diverse sounds, ranging from a quiet major-key flute lament to a wild polrhythmic finale. I grew up with "third-stream" jazz in the styles of John Coltrane and Roland Kirk ever since I was 12, and I must say, that I found a gold mine of inspiration from the sound of Inbal. There is no doubt that the fusion of Yemenite, Falasha and Moroccan Jewish roots with various Western rock and jazz elements could make Israel an exciting centre of new, contemporary progressive music.

The first Oriental Songfest record, (Oriental Song Festival 1972, Hed-Arzi, Ban 14211) while obviously more pop-oriented, amply demonstrates the diversity of styles while maintaining its own sound. A. Medima's "Oneg Shabbat" (sung by Uri Shevach) is a powerful, hard minor-key rocker with a very effective vocal and brass counterpoint at the end; A. Zigman's "Shtei Achayot Li" (sung by Edna Lev) is a classically beautiful and soaring ballad with a haunting chorus backup, and S. Cohen's "Kshe'hayasmin Poreach" (sung by Arie Nakash) is a major-key Mediterranean ballad. I only wish that the album included at least one very fast polyrhythmic number that Yemenite Jewish music is capable of producing. But for anybody who likes melodies more lyrical than is currently broadcast on CHUM, the First Oriental Songfest is a true source of inspiration.

I read that the Rolling Stones have recently signed a Moroccan Arab group to record an album for American and British distribution. In other words, there is some degree of general Western interest in Mideast sound. Given this fact, plus the much richer and sophisticated quality of Sephardic Jewish music due to its more eclectic nature, there is no reason why it could not be a key source of a new "now sound", especially among the great majority of North American Jewish youth, who prefer the more sophisticated aspect of pop, whether it be Black soul or Sergeant Pepper.

Certainly, an excellent way to turn the great majority of North American Jewish young people onto contemporary Jewish music would be to really introduce them to one of the most dynamic and soulful aspects of today's Israeli scene - the music of the Oriental and Falasha Jews. The best way to begin doing this would be to play more Sephardic-influenced records over CHIN's program Shalom.

Israel's Inbal Dance Theatre as they performed in Toronto's O'Keefe Center during their visit last year.

'Walking Wounded' comes front and centre wearing only party hat and maple leaf

theatre review

By FRANK MICHAEL

The Canadian play is a scarce commodity on the cultural market, and the premiere performance of any new, native work is an occasion charged with anticipation and desperate hope.

Tom Hendry has been most vocal in demanding Canadian content in the theatre. In Hendry's **How Are Things With the Walking Wounded?**, presented last week in the small, Spartan stronghold of the Toronto Free Theatre, Canada sustains another casualty in the good fight for cultural independence. Walking Wounded comes front and centre wearing only a party hat and a maple leaf.

The play depicts the second anniversary fete of an affluent, middle-aged homosexual and his young, feckless French-Canadian ward. The guests are the petit-bourgeois, ineffectual bunch we have come to expect at stage parties: a sleek, sophisticated director of an art gallery, a cynical journalist turned pusher, a hardened showgirl addicted to heroin, a brainless model, and a bisexual government bureaucrat. The only straight in the group is the maid, sole representative of the instinctive dignity of the common man. Her exit represents a demonstration for decency.

The party antics, naturally, get very naughty: sordid confessions, verbal assault, lesbianism, bestiality, drugs, and, for the finale, a strip-tease that strands one actress in the buff for most of the third act.

For all its neurotic prurience, and despite some entertaining 'shtik', this party bumps and grinds to a halt having achieved little dramatic movement. After two and a half hours of thoroughly predictable cocktail conversation, several flighty relationships have altered. Due to the superficial quality of these relationships, we do not really care.

Hendry's decision to set the play in Montreal during Expo, considered by many as Canada's own coming-out party, merely frustrates our desire to see the drama embrace the realities of Canadian society as a rich source of social and artistic expression.

The cocktail chatter is studded with tantalizing references to contemporary Canadian concerns which the play's limited, conventional premise cannot explore. Jacques, the drug-dealing litterateur, has been lifted from what we suspect was far more salient conversation in one of those Montreal bistros frequented by young separatist bucks sharpening their rhetorical horns on the dilemma of Canadian identity.

The spectre of separatism, the alleged exodus of Jews from Quebec, the excitement and graft associated with Expo, hypocrisy on Parliament Hill, the Canada Council grant to write "the Great Canadian Misunderstood Novel in England" syndrome; all receive glib mention, only to be lost in the dregs of a stale dramatic formula whose Canadian flavor is artificial rather than organic. Upon leaving the theatre, it is refreshing to step into the bracing concrete reality of the old gas works district.

Don MacQuarrie demonstrates a familiar authority in the role of Willy, the aging homosexual. Carole Galloway is well-cast, but lacks the requisite vocal strength for her Edith Piaf number. She also does a reticent, lethargic strip, and displays understandable embarrassment during her sojourn in the nude. The remaining members of the cast betray an amateurism we should not accept from a full-Equity company.

Walking Wounded, competently directed by Martin Kinch, tastefully costumed (when costumed) by Miro Kinch, and smartly designed by Paul Williams, is a mediocre play. But it comes in the context of increasing activity by Canadian playwrights that will hopefully engender some great ones.

Colorful enamel work

Tumbled-down huts, brilliantly colored flowers, and amorphous fruit-like "little people" have been greeting visitors to the Pollack Gallery on Markham St. for the past several weeks.

One is perhaps surprised to learn that these colorful enamel paintings, in all their youthful enthusiasm, were done by Regina Langner, who is now into her early 70s.

Mrs. Langner became interested in enamelling after her husband, Rabbi Abraham Langner, died 11 years ago. She began by attending classes in Los Angeles for several months

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